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For: TOUCH TYPE LIQUID-CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE AND INPUT DETECTING METHOD

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003, reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested. Upon entry of this Request, claims 1-15 are pending in the application. Applicant respectfully submits the pending claims define patentable subject matter

As set forth in the November 19 Office Action, claims 1, 2, 4-10 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Colgan et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,483,498; hereafter "Colgan") in view of newly cited Hamada (U.S. Patent No. 6,501,528), newly cited Meadows (U.S. Patent No. 4,916,308) and Inou (U.S. Patent No. 5,774,107) and Sato et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,507,337; hereafter "Sato"). Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Colgan in view of Hamada, Meadows, Inou and Okuda et al. (U.S. Patent No.